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TAGS: PDEV, TD

SUBJECT: MESSAGE ON ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REPUBLIC

REF: PORT OF SPAIN 1942

1. FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER SHOULD BE  
DELIVERED TO MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, DR. CUTHBERT  
JOSEPH:

"DEAR MR. MINISTER:

IT IS A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE  
OCCASION OF THE PROCLAMATION OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AS  
A REPUBLIC. THIS IS ANOTHER HISTORIC STEP IN THE  
EVOLUTION OF YOUR COUNTRY, WHICH THE UNITED STATES, AS THE  
VERY FIRST MODERN REPUBLIC, WELCOMES.

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YOUR NEW CONSTITUTION BEGINS WITH A DECLARATION OF RIGHTS,

WHICH HIGHLIGHTS THE DEEPLY FELT CONCERN IN YOUR  
COUNTRY AS IN OURS FOR THOSE BASIC INSTITUTIONS OF  
DEMOCRACY WHICH GUARANTEE THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

WE LOOK FORWARD WITH RENEWED CONFIDENCE TO THE CONTINUED  
GROWTH OF THE STRONG TIES BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS AND OUR

TWO PEOPLES.

BEST WISHES,  
HENRY A. KISSINGER."

2. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT  
WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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